## In the Claims:

1. (Original) Process for the manufacture of Olanzapine of the following

formula I or a salt thereof:

by converting a compound of the following formula II or a

salt thereof

$$N = \begin{bmatrix} N \\ R_1 \\ R_2 \end{bmatrix}$$
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in which

- (i) R1 and R2 together form =CH-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>, or
- (ii) R1 and R2 are both H, or
- (iii) R1 is H and R2 is -CH(R3)- CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>, wherein R3 is a leaving group that can be eliminated together with R1 to result in R1 and R2 together forming =CH-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>, to give Olanzapine or a salt thereof.
- 2. (Original) Process according to claim 1, in which the leaving group R3. is -OR4.

- 3. (Original) Process according to claim 2, in which R4 is H.
- 4. (Original) Process according to claim 2, in which R4 is selected from the group of acyl and sulfonyl and preferably is trifluoroacetyl or methane sulfonyl.
- 5. (Currently Amended) Process according to any one of claims 1 to 4 claim 1, in which Rl and R2 together form =CH-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub> and the conversion is performed by reacting the compound of formula II with a source of sulfur.
- 6. (Currently Amended) <u>The compound according to claim 11, which is a Ppropylidene-</u>benzodiazepine of the following formula III:

or salts thereof.

7. (Currently Amended) <u>The compound according to claim 11, which is Bb</u>enzodiazepine of the following formula IV:

or salts thereof.

8. (Currently Amended) <u>The compound according to claim 11, which is Bb</u>enzodiazepine-propanol of the following formula VI:

or salts thereof.

9. (Currently Amended) <u>The compound according to claim 11, which is Bbenzodiazepineester of the following formula VII:</u>

in which R4 is selected from the group of acyl and sulfonyl and preferably is trifluoroacetyl or methane sulfonyl, or salts thereof.

- 10. (Currently Amended) Use of a compound according to any one of claims 6 to 9 claim 11 for the manufacture of Olanzapine.
- 11. (New) A compound of the following formula

$$N = \begin{bmatrix} N \\ R_1 \\ R_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## in which

- (i) R1 and R2 together form =CH-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>, or
- (ii) R1 and R2 are both H, or
- (iii) R1 is H and R2 is -CH(OR3)- CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>, wherein R3 is selected from the group of hydrogen, acyl and sulfonyl and preferably is trifluoroacetyl or methane sulfonyl, or salts thereof.